

PRODUCE THROWN AWAY

By Hundreds of Thousands of Packages Every Year.

From information which we deem trustworthy we feel confident in asserting that from 150,000 to 200,000 packages of Florida produce are thrown away in New York City every year. This is not all actually dumped. Some is dumped, some pays part of the charges, some pays the charges; but all of it brings the grower nothing, and it is thrown away so far as he is concerned. That number of packages, at 400 to the car, would make 375 carloads, representing probably the yield of 500 acres. On each acre is expended say \$20 worth of fertilizer; a total of \$10,000. Seed, labor, crates, as much more. Grand total, \$20,000 on the wrong side of the ledger, to say nothing of the returns that ought to have been received. This deplorable result is brought about partly by indifferent sorting and packing of indifferent produce, but chiefly by indiscriminate shipping to one center, producing congestion and a diseased market. To the average Florida shipper the city of New York boxes the compass of American markets. While venting denunciations upon the trusts, syndicates and corporate rapacities of the metropolis, he confidently commits all his produce to this depraved city in the child-like belief that its vast appetite has stomach for it all and will pay for it all. The authority above referred to is of the opinion that one-half the produce of Florida shipped out of the state is consigned to New York. The result is, at certain seasons the sidewalks and warehouses are cumbered with accumulated vegetables, often heated and leaking, and the garbage carts and dumping scows are as active as the dead wagons in a pestilence.

This might seem to be, on the part of the shippers, an act of incredible folly, but it is only the result of ignorance. They simply do not know that everybody else is shipping to New York. There is no headquarters to steer the consignments. There is no power on earth that can prevent every grower in Florida from shipping to New York today and to Philadelphia tomorrow.

These facts illuminate with a calcium light the necessity of organization among the growers of Florida to regulate the distribution, as the pineapple growers have done from the beginning. Until such time as they shall have learned wisdom and perfected an organization for this purpose, there is a contributory measure of relief that might be adopted, which is the diversion of a percentage of the shipments to markets in the south. The awakening prosperity of this section has created a demand for and the means to purchase more luxuries. Factory operatives and other artisans are the best patrons of the market, according to their means, generally spending all their earnings. It is a fact that southern towns pay higher prices today, proportionately, for Florida produce than northern towns; simply because they do not receive a sufficient supply. This anomaly should be removed.

For instance, Boston quotes Florida oranges \$1.80 to \$3.35; New York, \$2.75 to \$3.25; Richmond \$3 to \$3.50; Jacksonville, \$3.25 to \$3.50; Atlanta, \$3.25 to \$3.50. New York, cucumbers, fancy, \$1.25 to \$1.50, other grades, 50 cents to \$1; Atlanta, \$1 to \$1.25. New York, peppers, 25 cents to 75 cents per barrel; Atlanta, 50 cents to 75 cents per crate. If Atlanta, as shown by the quotations, has a scarcity, other less important cities in the south will doubtless have a still greater scarcity.

It is true that charges to southern points are higher in single package lots than the carload rates to New York; but a higher charge which leaves the grower something is better than a lower charge, which leaves him nothing.

The express rate on pineapples per 100 pounds from Titusville to Atlanta is \$1.10; to Chattanooga, \$1.50; Birmingham \$1.50. Vegetables per 100 pounds from Gainesville to Atlanta, \$1; to Birmingham, \$1.25; to Chattanooga, \$1.25. Oranges per box, Plant City to Atlanta, 85 cents; to Birmingham, 90 cents; to Chattanooga, 95 cents; to Asheville, \$1.20.

We do not, by any means, advise an indiscriminate diversion of shipments from New York to southern markets; but what we do advise is that our readers should carefully investigate the situation; write to responsible houses in different cities and ascertain what can be done.

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Fowls Not Laying.

Mrs. V. S. H., Savannah, writes:

"I am a constant reader of the poultry notes in the Morning News and write now for a little information."

"My young son has about fifty head of poultry and sells eggs. For the past two months they have laid very few eggs. At first, I thought this was due to the fact of their moulting; but most of them are evidently through moulting, for their combs are bright and red; but they are only an expense now; they seem lazy, hanging about the yard and kitchen steps most of the time or staying in their coops. They have a large run of grass and are fed about four quarts of whole corn and cracked corn every day. Sometimes the food is varied with oats and about two quarts of bran, mixed with a little salt and red pepper, early in the morning. Is this over feeding or not; what is the best food for the production of eggs? The fowls are mixed, Spanish and common stock, and number about forty-five with one Plymouth Rock, two Spanish, one game and two common roosters. What is the best breed?"

Answer:

It is rarely the case that hens begin to lay before a month has elapsed since moulting has been fully completed; but it is more than likely that the fowls are too fat from feeding so much corn. This is not good food for egg production. Is the house for the laying hens in good shape; inviting, in fact, with plenty of clean nests with nest eggs? This is important. The best food for hens is a mixture of wheat and oats, with only a little corn; then a bran mash every two or three days; omit the salt and pepper, though a little of the latter may be given once a week. It is also well to provide the hens with a little ground bone; a box of it should be placed where they can get it as needed. With a good range the hens should not be fed more than one-half what they could eat of the foods named. Provide clean water in iron vessels. As a rule, the Black Spanish are as good layers as any; the Minorcas are also good. Where one kind is kept, the Barred Plymouth Rock is to be preferred. See that the hens are kept free of lice by the liberal use of insect powder, pyrethrum. Hens are not apt to lay, when infested with lice. A sprinkle of sulphur should be put in the nests occasionally.

Death of Bishop Moore.

Marcus M. Moore, bishop of the A. M. E. church and president of the American Preachers' Aid society, died at his home in Jacksonville at 7 o'clock p. m., Saturday, of Bright's disease.

Marcus Marcellus Moore was born March 15, 1856, near Quincy, Fla. He was the eldest of fourteen children born to William and Tama Moore, slaves of the late Colonel Henry Gee. He entered the first private school established in Florida for negroes by George W. Morris, of Massachusetts. He was a page in the Florida legislature; a student of Howard University, Washington, D. C., and Cookman Institute, Jacksonville, and was appointed sheriff of Bradford county in 1875, but was too young to qualify. Later he was a railway mail agent. He was licensed to preach in 1876 and became presiding elder and in 1896 was elected general financial secretary of the A. M. E. church, which office he held until elected bishop of the thirteenth diocese of that church at the general conference at Columbus, O., in May last—his jurisdiction including the state of Louisiana and Liberia and Sierra Leone, Africa.

The Orphans' Day.

Yesterday was Thanksgiving and Orphans' Day. If you have not given, you should give with all your heart, because the Lord has blessed you. There were plenty of orphans to be remembered. Help your own and then remember that there are two hundred orphans in the Thornwell Orphanage, Clinton, S. C., drawn from every southern and some northern states and even from the isles of the sea. They are from many denominations of Christian as well as non-Christian parentage. Bereft of parents, they are alone in the wicked world; forgotten, perhaps, in the localities from which they came, but loved and cared for and trained for future usefulness by faithful teachers and matrons. Taught a trade and given mental training as well, they leave their orphan home to care for themselves.

Send your spare gifts to the THORNWELL ORPHANAGE, Clinton, S. C.

"Too Much Johnson."

A laughing farce bearing the above title was very popular a few months ago in the north and east; but down in South Florida we have been treated to a dismal ding-dong bearing practically the same euphonious title, which developed into a sorrowful boomerang. For instance, take the word "Johnson;" drop the third, sixth and seventh letters; prefix "e" to the fifth letter and you have a new word; make the first two words of the caption its antecedent and the three combined make the shortest story possible of a change in the management of one of our South Florida exchanges.

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Florida's Complete Official Vote.

According to the face of the official election returns just compiled from every county in the state, the complete official vote at the recent election was as follows:

For President.—Bryan, 28,007; McKinley, 7,499. Scattering: Populists, 1,090; Prohibitionists, 2,239; Social Democrats, 603.

For Congress.—First district: S. M. Sparkman, 13,440; G. Browne Patterson, 2,005; Sparkman's majority, 10,335. Second district: Robert W. Davis, 13,011; John M. Cheney, 3,255; Davis' majority, 9,756.

STATE OFFICERS.

Governor—William S. Jennings, 29,251; Matthew B. MacFarlane, 6,438; A. P. Morton, Populist, 631.

Secretary of State—John L. Crawford, 27,892; George W. Allen, 5,772.

Attorney General—William B. Lamar, 27,436; Frederick Cuddeback, 5,265.

Comptroller—William H. Reynolds, 26,549; John M. Powell, 5,438.

Treasurer—James B. Whitfield, 26,265; Walter G. Robinson, 5,768.

Superintendent of Public Instruction—William N. Sheats, 27,085; George W. Holmes, 6,014.

Commissioner of Agriculture—Benj. E. McLin, 25,498; Otto C. Butterwick, 5,635.

Justice of Supreme Court—Francis B. Carter, 26,255; Henry C. Goodell, 5,179.

Railroad Commissioner—John L. Morgan, 25,475; Lambert M. Ware, 5,181.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

To provide for the representation of new counties in the legislature: For, 6,495; against, 4,511.

To prohibit special legislation in favor of corporations: For, 6,159; against, 4,458.

To provide for election of county commissioners: For, 8,891; against, 3,706.

To provide for new state seal and state flag: For, 5,601; against, 4,121.

Not Without Quay.

The Clover Club dinners of Philadelphia, says the Philadelphia Saturday Evening Post, are renowned for the distinguished guests, the unbridled chaffing, the brilliant speeches and the unique keynote of the gathering—that no one shall object to anything that is said.

Cabinet ministers, senators, great lawyers, statesmen, financiers, and even the President of the United States, sit at one time or another around the genial board in Philadelphia.

It was only fit that the witticism concerning Pennsylvania politics should be made at this gathering. Lincoln Eyre was the creator. He is one of the bright, young lawyers of the city, a keen debater, daring in speech and quick in his choice of words. While he was speaking of the condition of politics in Pennsylvania, a prominent guest, thinking to confuse the young lawyer, called to him:

"Oh! give us the briefest definition of the political condition here and we will go on with our dinner."

Mr. Eyre turned quickly to the speaker, while a hundred faces laughed up at him, and said: "Your request shall be granted and I will give you the condition in Latin—it is 'sine que (Quay) non.'"

STOCK FOR SALE.

The following stock is offered for sale by the owner at very low prices, if taken at once:

One mare and fine colt, colt three months old, good blood, price \$100; one thorough-bred mare colt, one year old, \$60; one stallion colt, sixteen months old, \$35; one four-year-old mare broken to harness and saddle, \$75; one pair of mules and wagon, \$225; one pair of heavy mules and wagon, \$250; one mule, \$75, guaranteed for all work and gentle; one yoke of cattle and wagon, \$75; three hundred head of hogs, in good order, \$400.

Also the following real estate: House and lot located near Titusville, ten acres, \$1,500; twenty acres pine land, part orange grove, fifty bearing trees, \$300; forty acres of hammock and orange grove on same, \$800; house and lot in North Miami, \$500.

For further particulars inquire at or address X, care STAR office, Titusville, Fla.

Weekly Weather Report.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WEATHER BUREAU.

Comparative statement of temperatures and rainfall for the week ending Tuesday Nov. 27, 1900.

	1900		1899	
DATE.	MAX.	MIN.	MAX.	MIN.
Nov. 21.	82	75	78	67
" 22.	82	68	76	70
" 23.	80	74	84	69
" 24.	80	74	80	68
" 25.	80	67	81	73
" 26.	75	58	78	66
" 27.	70	47	77	61

Total rainfall for the week, .10 inch. Departure from the normal rainfall for the week, minus .60 inch.

Departure from normal rainfall since Jan. 1st, 1900, minus 5.49 inches.

HAL P. HARDIN, Observer Weather Bureau, Jupiter, Fla., Nov. 27, 1900.

What a Well-known Railroad Man Thinks

Of Foley's Kidney Cure. "I have been troubled a great deal with headache. I was induced to try Foley's Kidney Cure and one bottle entirely relieved me. I gladly recommended it to anyone, especially my friends among the train men, who are usually similarly affected." George H. Hausan, engineer on L. E. & W. R. R. B. R. Wilson & Son

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to all creditors that six months from date I will present my final accounts and apply to the Hon. D. L. Gauden, county judge of Brevard county, Florida, for my discharge as administrator of the estate of Cornelia S. Bass, deceased, and as guardian of Walter J. Bass.

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